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SUPPORTING STATEMENT – Front porch, new single-storey rear extension with replacement single-storey side and rear extension, new raised patio, hip-to-gable loft conversion with new front and rear dormers @ 32 Springate Road, Southwick, West Sussex, BN42 4LF

The above application includes the addition of 2no. front dormers to achieve the loft conversion. This addition is common within Springate Road and other surrounding roads and this statement includes photographs of existing front dormer pairs in the area. Some of the existing local dormers are large single dormers of poor design, whilst others are smaller pairs of dormers, but both types have established a precedent for front dormers in the area.

As this proposal is submitted after the June 2022 change in Part L of the Building Regulations the dormer cheeks are now required to be thicker to accommodate the additional insulation required under revised Part L. This means that they are larger than previously approved pairs of dormers.

Below are some images of existing dormers on Springate Road and in the surrounding area.



Image 1 – Older-style dormer pair.



Image 2 – More modern dormer pair, with thicker cheeks than in image 1, but not to current Building Regulations.



Image 3 – 28 & 26 Springate Road. 28 has a pair of dormers.



Image 4 – 11 Springate Road, with dormer pair with smaller proportions that do not sit well in the roof area.



Image 5 – 10 Springate Road, with better design but still rather awkward proportions.